

# STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

## Office of the Governor



### EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1311

**WHEREAS**, on Thursday, December 6, 2012, Mississippi lost a long-time educator and respected member of the legislature, with the passing of Senator Alice Harden; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Harden was a native of Pike County, Mississippi; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Harden was a graduate of Jackson State University and served 14 years as a classroom teacher; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Harden served for three consecutive years as President of the Mississippi Association of Educators; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Harden is survived by her husband, Dennis Labert Harden; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Harden was elected to the Mississippi State Senate in 1988, where she served until her death; and

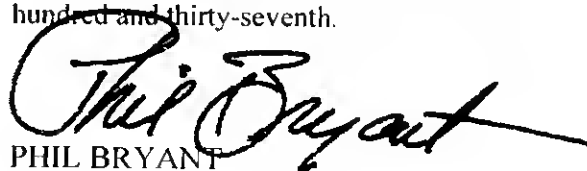
**WHEREAS**, Senator Harden served as Chair of the Senate Elections Committee, the Senate Education Committee and Universities & College Committee and was currently serving as Chair of Enrolled Bills as well as serving on various other committees; and

**WHEREAS**, the prayers of this State are with the family and friends of Senator Alice Harden:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Phil Bryant, by the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and laws of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim a period of official mourning in the State of Mississippi and do hereby order the State Flag on all buildings and grounds of the State of Mississippi and all areas under its jurisdiction fly at half staff, beginning at sunrise and ending at sunset on Friday, December 14, 2012, in remembrance of a dedicated Mississippi public servant, Senator Alice Harden.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

**DONE** at the Capitol in the City of Jackson, the 12th day of December, in the year of our Lord two thousand twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-seventh.

  
PHIL BRYANT  
GOVERNOR



BY THE GOVERNOR:



C. DELBERT HOSEMAN, JR.  
SECRETARY OF STATE